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SUBJECT: REPORTED VISIT BY GENERAL KRIT TO THE UNITED STATES

REF: (A) BANGKOK 7045; (B) STATE 92787

1. AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S DINNER FOR LEE KUAN YEW ON APRIL 22, I ASKED GENERAL KRIT SIWARA WHETHER PRESS REPORTS THAT HE PLANNED TO HEAD A HIGH LEVEL MILITARY MISSION TO WASHINGTON WERE CORRECT. KRIT SAID THEY WERE NOT AND HE HAD NO INTENTION OF HEADING OR SENDING SUCH A MISSION AT THIS TIME. IF HE DID AT SOME POINT DECIDE THAT SUCH A MISSION WOULD BE DESIRABLE FROM THE THAI STANDPOINT, HE WOULD MAKE NO FIRM DECISIONS ON IT UNTIL HE TALKED WITH ME ABOUT THE TIMING AND THE SUBJECT MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED. I EXPRESSED MY FULL AGREEMENT AND SAID THAT THE GROUND WORK FOR ANY SUCH MISSION WOULD HAVE TO BE CAREFULLY LAID IN ADVANCE TO INSURE THAT IT WAS SUCCESSFUL FOR THE RTG AND FOR THE LEADER OF THE MISSION PERSONALLY. KRIT AGREED.

2. MY GUESS WOULD BE THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERATION OF SUCH A TEAM VISIT AT THE STAFF LEVEL WITHIN THE ROYAL THAI ARMY AND THAT THIS IS THE BASIS FOR THE PRESS REPORTS. THE PLAN HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY KRIT AND IS OBVIOUSLY NOW ON HOLD.

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